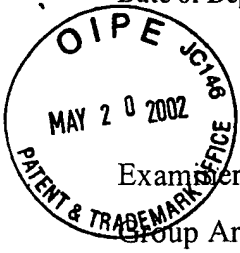


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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

This is in response to the December 18, 2001 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have petitioned herewith to extend the time for response to that action by two months, up to and including May 20, 2002 (May 18, 2002 being a Saturday and May 19, 2002 being a Sunday), and have paid the required fee [37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(2)]. No other fee is believed due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19141-002.